

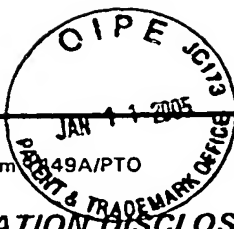
[illegible][illegible]

Examiner Signature	Ernest N. Karger	Date Considered	Jan. 31, 2006
-----------------------	------------------	--------------------	---------------

* EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

¹ Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). ² See Kind Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at www.uspto.gov or MPEP 901.04.

³ Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). ⁴ For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. ⁵ Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST.16 if possible. ⁶ Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.



0105

PTO/SB/08a Substitute for Form 149A/PTO		Application Number	10/816,114
INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT (Use as many sheets as necessary)		Filing Date	April 1, 2004
		First Named Inventor	Kenneth F. HOLLMAN
		Art Unit	2858 2829
		Examiner Name	Not yet assigned E. KARLSEN
Sheet	1 of 4	Attorney Docket	1317/82551

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initials *	Cite No. ¹	Document Number	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear
		Number-Kind Code ²			
E.K.		US-4,532,423 A	07-30-1985	Tojo et al.	
E.K.		US-4,618,767 A	10-21-1986	Smith et al.	
E.K.		US-4,706,019 A	11-10-1987	Richardson	
E.K.		US-4,747,698 A	05-31-1988	Wickramasinghe et al.	
E.K.		US-4,772,846 A	09-20-1988	Reeds	
E.K.		US-4,807,159 A	02-21-1989	Komatsu et al.	
E.K.		US-4,837,445 A	06-06-1989	Nishioka et al.	
E.K.		US-4,866,271 A	09-12-1989	Ono et al.	
E.K.		US-4,871,938 A	10-03-1989	Elings et al.	
E.K.		US-4,880,975 A	11-14-1989	Nishioka et al.	
E.K.		US-4,881,029 A	11-14-1989	Kawamura	
E.K.		US-4,894,537 A	01-16-1990	Blackford et al.	
E.K.		US-4,992,660 A	02-12-1991	Kobayashi	
E.K.		US-4,999,494 A	03-12-1991	Elings	

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initials *	Cite No. ¹	Foreign Patent Document	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear	T ⁶
		Country Code ³ -Number ⁴ -Kind Code ⁵				
E.K.		EP-0 095 370 A2	11-30-1983	Hertel		
E.K.		EP-0 027 517 B1	02-15-1984	Binnig et al.		✓
E.K.		EP-0 037 568 B1	02-01-1984	Tojo et al.		✓
E.K.		EP-0 138 250 A2	04-24-1985	Rodgers		
E.K.		EP-0 069 750 B1	04-22-1987	Turner		✓
E.K.		EP-0 223 918 A2	06-03-1987	Binnig		
E.K.		EP-0 095 370 B1	11-02-1998	Hertel		
E.K.		EP-0 335 398 A1	10-04-1989	Otaka		
E.K.		EP-0 110 301 B1	11-08-1989	Kano et al.		

Examiner Signature	<i>Ernst H. Karsen</i>	Date Considered	January 31, 2006
-----------------------	------------------------	--------------------	------------------

*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

¹ Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). ² See Kind Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at www.uspto.gov or MPEP 901.04.

³ Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). ⁴ For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. ⁵ Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST.16 if possible. ⁶ Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

#0105 (cont.)

PTO/SB/08a Substitute for Form 1449A/PTA 11 2005			Application Number	10/816,114	
INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT (Use as many sheets as necessary)			Filing Date	April 1, 2004	
			First Named Inventor	Kenneth F. HOLLMAN	
			Art Unit	2858 2829	
			Examiner Name	Not yet assigned E. KARLSEN	
Sheet	2	of	4	Attorney Docket	1317/82551

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS					
Examiner Initials*	Cite No. ¹	Document Number	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear
		Number-Kind Code ²			
E.T.K.		US-5,019,771 A	05-28-1991	Yang et al.	
E.T.K.		US-5,107,114 A	04-21-1992	Nishioka et al.	
E.T.K.		US-5,109,724 A	05-05-1992	Delarue et al.	
E.T.K.		US-5,117,110 A	05-26-1992	Yasutake	
E.T.K.		US-5,136,162 A	08-04-1992	Miyamoto et al.	
E.T.K.		US-5,325,010 A	06-28-1994	Besocke et al.	
E.T.K.		US-5,349,735 A	09-27-1994	Kawase et al.	
E.T.K.		US-5,444,244 A	08-22-1995	Kirk et al.	
E.T.K.		US-5,493,236 A	02-20-1996	Ishii et al.	
E.T.K.		US-5,519,212 A	05-21-1996	Elings et al.	
E.T.K.		US-5,530,372 A	06-25-1996	Lee et al.	
E.T.K.		US-5,557,156 A	09-17-1996	Elings	
E.T.K.		US-5,672,816 A	09-30-1997	Park et al.	
E.T.K.		US-5,981,948 A	11-09-1999	Taniguchi et al.	

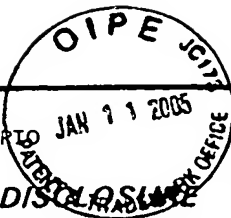
FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS						
Examiner Initials*	Cite No. ¹	Foreign Patent Document	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear	T ⁶
		Country Code ³ -Number ⁴ -Kind Code ⁵				
E.T.K.		EP-0 349 911 A2	01-10-1990	Besocke et al.		✓
E.T.K.		EP-0 206 016 B1	09-12-1990	Wells		
E.T.K.		EP-0 386 840 A1	09-12-1990	Delarue		✓
E.T.K.		EP-0 231 247 B1	10-10-1990	Smith et al.		
E.T.K.		EP-0 260 734 B1	01-30-1991	Hoppe		
E.T.K.		EP-0 423 877 A1	04-24-1991	Asselbergs		
E.T.K.		EP-0 442 630 A2	08-21-1991	Yamada et al.		
E.T.K.		EP-0 218 829 B1	11-06-1991	Lischke et al.		✓
E.T.K.		EP-0 480 424 A2	04-15-1992	Todokoro et al.		

Examiner Signature	Ernest J. Karlsen	Date Considered	January 31, 2006
--------------------	-------------------	-----------------	------------------

*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

¹ Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). ² See Kind Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at www.uspto.gov or MPEP 901.04.

³ Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). ⁴ For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. ⁵ Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST.16 if possible. ⁶ Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.



#0105 (cont.)

PTO/SB/08a Substitute for Form 1449A/PTO		Application Number		10/816,114	
INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT (Use as many sheets as necessary)		Filing Date		April 1, 2004	
		First Named Inventor		Kenneth F. HOLLMAN	
		Art Unit		2858 2829	
		Examiner Name		Not yet assigned E. KARLSEN	
Sheet	3	of	4	Attorney Docket	1317/82551

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS					
Examiner Initials*	Cite No. ¹	Document Number	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear
		Number-Kind Code ²			
E.T.K.		US-6,191,598 B1	02-20-2001	Hollman	
E.T.K.		US-6,198,299 B1	03-06-2001	Hollman	
E.T.K.		US-2001/0009377 A1	07-26-2001	Schwindt et al.	
E.T.K.		US-6,335,628 B2	01-01-2002	Schwindt et al.	
E.T.K.		US-2002/0000819 A1	01-03-2002	Hollman	
E.T.K.		US-2002/0027442 A1	03-07-2002	Peters et al.	
E.T.K.		US-6,362,636 B1	03-26-2002	Peters et al.	
E.T.K.		US-6,621,282 B2	09-16-2003	Hollman	
E.T.K.		US 6,744,268 B2	06-01-2004	Hollman	

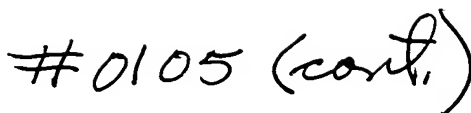
FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS						
Examiner Initials*	Cite No. ¹	Foreign Patent Document	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear	T ⁶
		Country Code ³ -Number ⁴ -Kind Code ⁵				
E.T.K.		EP-0 504 972 A1	09-23-1992	Engelen et al.		
E.T.K.		EP-0 538 861 A1	04-28-1993	Aoyama et al.		
E.T.K.		EP-0 546 305 A1	06-16-1993	Feuerbaum		✓
E.T.K.		EP-0 548 573 A2	06-30-1993	Otaka et al.		
E.T.K.		EP-0 335 398 B1	07-21-1993	Otaka		
E.T.K.		EP-0 584 869 A1	03-02-1994	Nederlof		
E.T.K.		EP-0 548 573 A3	03-09-1994	Otaka et al.		
E.T.K.		EP-0 594 084 A1	04-27-1994	Todokoro et al.		
E.T.K.		JP-11 233572 A ✓	08-27-1999	Yamada		✓

Examiner Signature	Ernest T. Karlsen	Date Considered	January 31, 2006
--------------------	-------------------	-----------------	------------------

*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

¹ Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). ² See Kind Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at www.uspto.gov or MPEP 901.04.

³ Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). ⁴ For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. ⁵ Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST.16 if possible. ⁶ Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.



(Use as many sheets as necessary)

Attorney Docket	1317/82551
-----------------	------------

4

of

4

¹ Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). ² See Kind Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at www.uspto.gov or MPEP 901.04. ³ Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). ⁴ For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. ⁵ Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST.16 if possible. ⁶ Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.